Kissimmee River Restoration (KRR) – Three Lakes Wildlife Management Area Hydrologic Restoration



Location:	Osceola County
Subwatershed:	Upper Kissimmee
Basin:	-
Purpose:	Restore hydrology to impacted wetlands associated with the Upper Kissimmee Chain of Lakes.
Project Operation Start:	TBD
Considerations/Update:	This project was not intended to be a specific management plan that would be routinely updated. The site consists of an expanse of dry prairie and pine flat woods. The SFWMD along with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission (FWC) have implemented measures to improve hydrology and ecological conditions onsite. The FWC has implemented a land management plan to preserve the expansive mosaic of dry and wet prairie, ephemeral depression ponds and marshes, mesic (moist) flatwoods, hammocks, and cypress ponds and sloughs. Land management activities include prescribe burning, roller chopping /mowing and other restoration The project is intended to leverage mandates and resources to improve, enhance, and/or sustain lake ecosystem health and habitat quality. This project site purpose is to complement existing local government and watershed projects such as the Kissimmee River Restoration Project, Kissimmee Basin Water Supply Plan, Total Maximum Daily Loads, the Lake Okeechobee Watershed Project, the Lake Okeechobee Protection Plan, and SFWMD land management. The SFWMD currently has no plan to conduct additional hydrological assessments to evaluate the benefits of the Three lake Management Area.